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December 23, 2013

MR. ANTHONY W. PARKER, TREASURER REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE 310 FIRST STREET SE WASHINGTON, DC 20003

Response Due Date 01/27/2014

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00003418** 

REFERENCE: OCTOBER MONTHLY REPORT (09/01/2013 - 09/30/2013)

### Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

1. Schedule A of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. Please be advised that 2 U.S.C. §441a(f) and 11 CFR §110.1(c) prohibit a political committee which is established and maintained by a national political party, and any affiliated committees, from accepting contributions from a person or non-multicandidate political committee in excess of \$32,400 in a calendar year.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with the clarifying information.

If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount. The funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt, (1) the excessive amount was properly reattributed to another person, such as a joint account holder, by obtaining signed written authorizations from each person making the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR 110.1(k)(3), and (2) the treasurer informs the person making the contribution that he or she may request the return of the excessive portion of the contribution if it is not intended to be a joint contribution. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions were not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded.

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Please inform the Commission of your corrective action promptly in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the refund. In addition, any reattributions should be reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which the authorization for the reattribution is received. Any refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the acceptance of an excessive contribution(s), prompt action by your committee to seek reattribution or refund the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule B supporting Line 21(b) discloses an apparent disbursement to a credit card company, "BB&T BANK." When reporting payments to credit card companies, if the payment to the original vendor aggregates in excess of \$200 in a calendar year, you must itemize the name of the original vendor, address, date, amount, and purpose as a memo entry as well as clearly identify the credit card payment to which each memo entry relates. Please amend your report to include the missing information or provide clarifying information if memo items are not required. (11 CFR § 104.9)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1162.

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Sincerely,

David Butler

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# Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE (C00003418)

## **Excessive Contributions from Individuals**

<b>Contributor Name</b>	Date	Amount	Report
Mr. Michael E. Sorrell	6/28/13	\$32,400.00	2013 July Monthly
Mr. Michael E. Sorrell	9/12/13	\$32,400.00	2013 October Monthly